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1. [redacted] At the request of Dr. Martin Swaig, Secretary to House Speaker McCormack, I met with Mr. James J. Donahue and Mr. Stanley S. Bender. Mr. Bender is the owner of an office building which is being built between 18th and 19th Streets on G Street N.W. Mr. Donahue is his broker. Through their contacts with GSA, they understand that Colonel White has expressed an interest in occupying this building. (It could be available for occupancy by August if a tenant is identified soon.) Bender and Donahue wish to speak with someone from the Agency to clarify the situation with respect to our interest and if possible emphasize our interest to GSA and to expedite a formal arrangement with respect to the building. I told Bender and Donahue I would discuss the matter with our people and be in touch with them tomorrow.

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2. [redacted] Returned to Jay Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, the translation of the correspondence Senator Eastland had received from [redacted] Went over a number of points to Sourwine's satisfaction. After discussion as to the type of letter Eastland should send in reply, Sourwine indicated they were generally going to take the position that [redacted] could not put any conditions on his appearance. If he does not wish to come he is in effect refusing to appear and they can deal with it then accordingly. Further, he agreed it would be appropriate for such letter to indicate that the problems and complaints which [redacted] has with respect to the Agency are not a proper concern of the Subcommittee and in any event they can do nothing about it.

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3. [redacted] Talked with Walter Besterman concerning [redacted] This person had been brought to Besterman's attention as an excellent candidate for a modest stipend of $75 or $100 a month from RFE. Besterman is planning to bring this to the attention of [redacted] of RFE. I indicated to Besterman that I would see that his views on this get to the appropriate people.

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